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Ian McEwin Resigns

Ian McEwin has resigned the Presidency of AUSTLEA. He has been appointed *Head, Competition Policy Unit* in the Ministry of Trade and Industry in Singapore to help Singapore introduce competition law in the next few years. George Barker has re-taken the reins.

Conference on Risk, Insurance and Law and Economics

It is planned to hold a conference in Sydney in October. It has not been decided whether the Annual Conference will be held at the same time or at a separate conference early next year (where Tom Ulen will, most likely, be the main speaker). More news later.

Congratulations to Michael Whincop

Michael was promoted earlier this year to Professor at Griffith U – law and economics scholars are gradually taking over! He has also been appointed a visiting professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School for spring term in 2003. He has two forthcoming articles.

“An Empirical Investigation of the Terms of Corporate Charters and Influences on Term Standardization in a Laissez-Faire Environment” forthcoming in the *International Review of Law and Economics*.

“Contracting Around The Conflict Rule: An Empirical Analysis Of A Penalty Default (2002) forthcoming in *Journal of Corporate Law Studies*

Other Conferences

Annual Conference of the International Society for New Institutional Economics Institutions and Economic Performance" 6th Annual Conference, September 27-29, 2002, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA - <http://www.isnie.org/ISNIE2002.htm>.

Canadian Law and Economics Association (CLEA). Thirteenth John M. Olin Annual Conference in Law and Economics: Friday and Saturday, September 27 and 28, 2002, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto. - <http://www.chass.utoronto.ca/clea>

The 19th Annual Conference of the European Association of Law and Economics (EALE) will be held from September 19-21, 2002 in Athens, Greece, organised by the University of Athens. Invited speakers: Prof. Gary S. Becker (1992 Nobel Laureate) and Judge Richard A. Posner.- <http://www.eale.org>

Upcoming Seminars of Interest

If you are aware of any seminars/events that might be of interest to other members then please email to w.forster@anu.edu.au so we can add these to our website.

All the best to everyone – I expect to be in Singapore for at least two years. Perhaps it is time for SLAEA – Singapore Law and Economics Association.

Ian McEwin